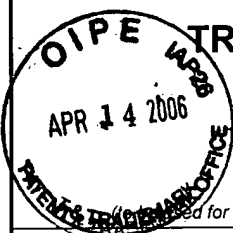


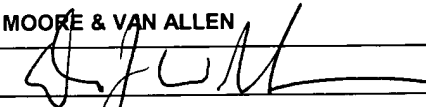
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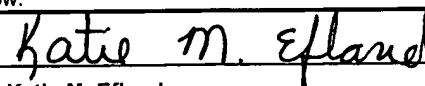
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set out in the Office Action dated March 13, 2006, the applicant hereby elects:

Invention I, claims 1-46 drawn to a tool retaining system.

In response to the election of species requirement the applicant hereby elects:

Species 1 (Figs. 1, 2, 4 and 5) and Species 6 (Figs. 15 and 16).

The claims readable on the elected species are:

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